

# STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

## Office of the Governor



### EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1352

**WHEREAS**, on Friday, February 27, 2015, Mississippi lost a respected leader and friend with the passing of Timothy Alan "Tim" Ford, former Speaker of the Mississippi House of Representatives; and

**WHEREAS**, Tim Ford was born on October 22, 1951, and grew up in Baldwin, Mississippi; and

**WHEREAS**, he earned a B.A. degree from the University of Mississippi in 1973 and graduated with a J.D. degree from the University of Mississippi School of Law in 1977; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1979, Tim Ford was elected to the Mississippi House of Representatives where he served as Speaker from 1988 until his retirement from the Legislature in 2004; and

**WHEREAS**, after his Legislative career, he practiced law in Jackson, Mississippi, and served as Co-Chair of his law firm's Government Relations Practice Group and a member of the firm's energy, public finance and corporate practice groups; and

**WHEREAS**, he was awarded the University of Mississippi Distinguished Alumni Award in Public Service, among other prestigious public leadership awards; and

**WHEREAS**, Tim Ford was admired for his leadership abilities, expertise in government and affable personality, and as a testament to these qualities, he was appointed to numerous governmental committees and task forces; and

**WHEREAS**, the prayers of this State are with his wife, Kathy, his children, step-children, grandchildren, and other family members and many friends:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Phil Bryant, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim a period of official mourning in the State of Mississippi and do hereby order all flags of the United States of America and the State of Mississippi be flown at half-staff on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction beginning immediately on Monday, March 2, 2015, and ending at sunset on Tuesday, March 3, 2015, in remembrance of a dedicated Mississippi public servant, a good man and my good friend, Timothy Alan "Tim" Ford.



**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

**DONE** at the Capitol in the City of Jackson, the 2nd day of March, in the year of our Lord two thousand fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-ninth.

